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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Last month we opened the wall into the next office, put in a doorway and expanded SFF's headquarters! In answer to prayer, needed furniture and office equipment were purchased at amazingly low prices. Moving the library, building stacks, painting over old furniture cost money, of course. This is a capital investment however because we can now add new titles to our Book Sales List and also accept more donations for our lending library. The Special Gifts help tremendously.

Even though you may not be able to visit headquarters, I want you to know that I am proud of it and am pleased to share my feelings of joy with you. During the past seven months, I sat next to the mimeograph machine, dictated correspondence and talked on the telephone in a loud voice!

Our membership growth includes more clergy, psychologists, teachers, "hard-hats" and students. The "Every Member Get a Member" idea is taking effect - thanks to you. Many more members are adding their husband or wife as members. Others are giving extra as Contributing Members or Patrons. The highlight of this is the Spirit in which it is being done.

Soon we will have to serve twice our present membership as our prayers and programs to bring spiritual awareness to more people continue to be answered.

Yours in fellowship,

Robert D. Ericsson

ANNUAL CONFERENCE May 13-15 in Chicago



CLEVE BACKSTER

pleasure and relief!

"The Oneness of All Life" - Cleve Backster, noted scientific investigator of consciousness and emotional interplay between plants and humans will speak. Using illusions, he will show that plants, amoeba and even cells feel fear,

Programs, registration and hotel reservation forms are available. A "sell-out" is expected for some, if not all, events. All Bismarck Hotel rooms are air-conditioned and available at special low conference rate. Don't be disappointed, register now, \$15.00. Only 400 Arthur Ford Memorial Luncheon tickets available. Refunds on cancellations before May 1. Volunteers are needed to usher and for other assignments. Come and get acquainted.

HOLY SPIRIT CHALLENGING THE CHURCHES?

A Presbyterian Committee has called for a creative theological exploration concerning the person and work of the Holy Spirit. Guidelines include: be tolerant of those whose Christian experiences differ from your own - be open to new ways in which God by his Spirit may be speaking to the Church.

NEWS NOTES

- San Diego - April 20, Dr. Arthur J. Brodbeck, synergethon leader talks on "Spiritual Intuitiveness," Mission Hills Methodist Church.
- Southern Cal. - March 13, Robert Shillaker, new editor of Venture, "Religion in the New Age," Church of the Brethren, 5505 W. Slaussen, L.A. To former editor Bernard Burry for outstanding SFF work - thank you.
- Portland - March 27, 804 Center, Oregon City, 4 p.m.
- Boulder - Tuesday evening classes on parapsychology led by Walter H. Uphoff.
- Omaha - March 16, Dream Workshop class led by Mrs. Gail Lee, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 8 p.m.
- Des Moines - March, Dr. Ted Solomon, Professor of Religion, State U. of Iowa on "Zen Buddha."
- Chicago - March 21, Group Training. First Methodist, LaGrange, 4 p.m.
- Chicago-North Shore - April 22-24, Ambrose and Olga Worrall, three-day "Healing Gifts" seminar. First Methodist Church, Evanston. Father Jerome Palmer addressed SFF and the Institute for the Study of American Religions on "Recent Apparitions of St. Mary" at Garrett Seminary.
- Detroit - March 26-27, Ambrose and Olga Worrall, "Spiritual Gift" seminar. Glenwood Methodist Church, Wyandotte. Call 644-8185.
- St. Louis - March 14-16, Rev. Alex Holmes - Healing Services and classes First Congregational Church, Webster Groves.
- Central Ohio - March 23, Harold Sherman, famed author, researcher, Gahanna Community Church, 8 p.m.
- Akron-Canton - March 22, Harold Sherman, Cable Recital Hall, Cultural Center of the Arts.

NEWS NOTES

- Hot Springs - May 22-24, Annual Healing Workshop led by Harold Sherman, Ambrose and Olga Worrall, Jeane Dixon, Arlington Hotel
- Louisville - March, Rev. Dorothy Moore, "The Spiritual and the Psychic" Calvin Presbyterian Church. For groups call Rev. F. Morgan Roberts.
- Buffalo - Twenty members will attend SFF's Annual Conference.
- Schenectady - May 3-5, Jo Kimmel, former SFF Secretary, "Prayer Workshop" St. Boniface Episcopal Church, 377-4330.
- Hudson Valley - Area Chairman Rev. Sam Reinke of Rock Tavern has incorporated his "Listening Post" educational fellowship. Congratulations.
- Metro N.Y. - March 28 Tributes to "Arthur Ford-The Enigma of Our Generation" Rev. Wm. V. Rauscher and to "Eileen Garrett-Prophetess of Awareness" Martin Ebon, former SFF Journal editor. Universalist Church, W. 76th Street, 3:30 p.m.
- Philadelphia - April 15, Robert A. Bradley, M.D., "New Frontiers of the Mind," Arch Street Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
- Reading - April 16, Robert A. Bradley, M.D., "A Physician Looks at the Psychic" Calvary Church, Mohnton, 8 p.m. - Chairman Larry Althouse will lead an open group to Europe June 30-July 14. Call (215) 777-8441.
- Washington, D.C. - March 14, Louise Eggleston, "Prayer;" March 15, Rev. Geo. Emerson Stone, SFF Area Chairman, "Attaining Oneness." Call (202) 223-1248 for groups.
- Atlanta - March 26, Cleve Backster, polygraph expert, "Flowers Have ESP", Civic Center Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Charlotte, N.C. - After graciously hosting the SFF Executive Council, members contributed \$200 to SFF for vital printing needs. Thank you!



TWO NATIONAL RETREATS

The conference on "Spiritual Awareness" at Gettysburg College will be led by Allen Spraggett, famous religion editor and author who brought Bishop Pike and Arthur Ford together on TV. Key lecturer is Dr. Eric Butterworth, well-known Unity minister and author of Discover the Power Within You. The gifted Ambrose and Olga Worrall and assistants will lead a Healing Service. There will be classes in healing, prayer, meditation, psychic development, dreams, astrology, Bible, group leadership and visits to historical sites. Registration, room and board \$80.00; Youth, 13-18, \$40.00.

HISTORIC GETTYSBURG

Private readings at extra cost. Registrar: Mrs. Jay Bubeck, P. O. Box 6194, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110.

The Conference on "Prayer and Meditation" July 5-9 will be held at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota. Registration, room and board \$80.00. Plan your vacation time now for these outstanding opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship. Programs will be mailed soon.

DOLLAR A MONTH

"I can send a few dollars" wrote one lady. Members serving members as they can! Special gift contributors are also sending prayers and blessings with their contributions. Thank you for giving us the "legs" to walk on.

LIFE MEMBER

Mr. E. W. (Bill) Dykes is Secretary of the Canton-Akron, Ohio Area. He has been an active and strong contributor to SFF for years including the recent donation of fifty Gaelic Manuscripts. The copies sold quickly and we now have more available @ \$ 5.25 each (for advanced students). David J. Jones, former Executive Council member, states "Bill is an able speaker and one of the best informed members in psychical subjects with whom I have been privileged to associate." We are pleased to concur and honor Mr. E. W. Dykes into Life Membership.

IN MEMORIAM

Area founders, Mr. Virginia S. Carroll, civic and social leader who helped form the Evansville, Indiana Area and Dr. Lambert J. Case, minister, Windsor Gardens Community Church, who helped form the Denver, Colorado Area have graduated to life in spirit. We give you both our thanks.

Articles from members for a Special Journal Tribute to Arthur Ford must be received in time for editing and printing before the Annual Conference.

AREA CHAIRMEN APPROVED

Congratulations to: Arizona, the Rev. Sarah Evanston; Chicago, the Rev. Charles Kepler; Colorado, Lionel O. Wyatt; Minnesota, the Rev. Charles Stevens; North New Jersey, Mr. & Mrs. Chester Painter; Sarasota, Florida, Ivan Radberg; Wisconsin, Mrs. Ingeborg Wiedmann. New Areas are underlined.

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STANDARDS FOR TOURS

Standards adopted on February 18, 1971, by the Executive Council for tours include: Leader be a member for five years; the nature and personnel of any seminar be approved and if in Great Britain be held in cooperation with the Churches' Fellowship for Psychical and Spiritual Studies; no profit other than expenses be derived by the leaders.

SFF HANDBOOK

The SFF Handbook has been revised and updated. A limited supply will be available in time for the Annual Conference. Active SFF members can refer to it as a working guide (not a lesson guide) for establishing spiritual balance in developing and experiencing greater spiritual awareness individually or in groups. Advance mail orders may be made now @ \$2.50 each.

NOMINATIONS FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Please send nominations to Rev. George Wright, Chairman, Nominating Committee, 235 Cedar Street, Waterman, Illinois 60556. Specify the qualifications of each nominee and list references.

NATIONAL SEMINAR FOR GROUP LEADERS May 12 in Chicago

The first National Seminar for Group Leaders will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Led by Dr. Marcus Bach, the program includes instruction and feed-back. Subjects are: getting started, selecting materials, healing, leading meditation and psychic development, problems, how to make money for your area, questions and answers. The seminar will focus on experienced leaders and clergy as well as interested beginners who want to start groups. Registration, \$10.00.

Selected sample materials will be available for advance registrants. Send for a program and registration form. Our groups are not required to be exclusively SFF.

NEW LENDING LIBRARY BOOKS

Over one-hundred new titles. Send for lending library and expanded books-for-sale lists.

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